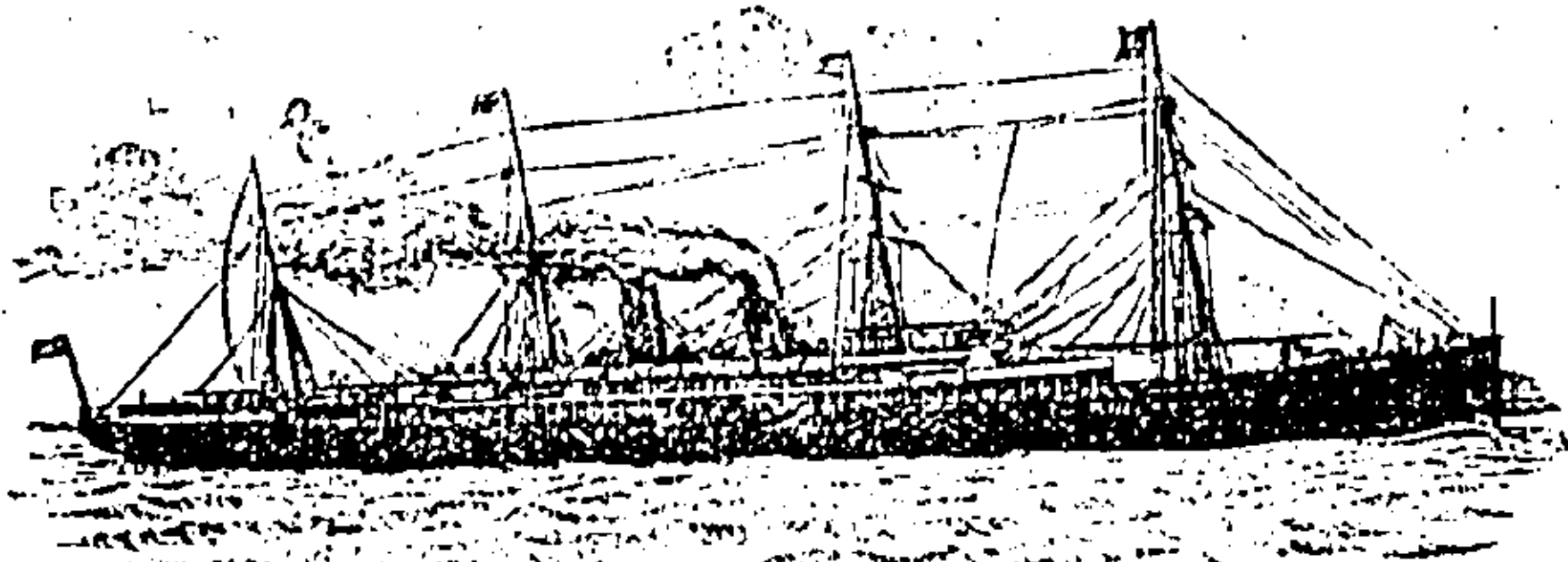


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"AMERICA MARU"	TUESDAY, 17th February, at Noon.
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"HONGKONG MARU"	TUESDAY, 17th March, at Noon.
"CHINA"	TUESDAY, 24th March, at Noon.
"DOJIC"	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU"	SATURDAY, 11th April, at Noon.
"SIBRIA"	SATURDAY, 18th April, at Noon.
"CORIC"	SATURDAY, 25th April, at Noon.

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THE T. K. K. Company's Steamship "AMERICA MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 17th instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route. Through Passage Tickets granted to Europe, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Points, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1903. E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

R.M.S.	"TARTAR"	4,425	Tons.....	WEDNESDAY, 25th Feb., 1903.
"	"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	"	WEDNESDAY, 11th Mar., 1903.
"	"ATHENIAN"	3,882	"	WEDNESDAY, 18th Mar., 1903.
"	"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6,000	"	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, 1903.
"	"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6,000	"	WEDNESDAY, 22nd April, 1903.
"	"TARTAR"	4,425	"	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, 1903.
"	"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	"	WEDNESDAY, 13th May, 1903.
"	"ATHENIAN"	3,882	"	WEDNESDAY, 27th May, 1903.

THE magnificent "EMPRESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets at various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

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For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. HURD, General Agent, Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1903.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STRAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	Freight and Passengers.
WURZBURG	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG.	15th Feb.	Freight and Passengers.
v. Buxtehude	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
C. FERD. LAEISZ	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	26th Feb.	Freight.
Fuchs	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		
BAMBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	10th Mar.	Freight.
Kirchner	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
ANDALUSIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	24th Mar.	Fr. & P.
von Drebber	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		
KONIGSBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	7th April.	Fr. & P. and Passengers.
Mayer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
SAMIDIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	21st April.	Freight.
Schmidt	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		

For further Particulars, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HONGKONG OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1903.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

MONDAY, the 16th February, 1903, at 3 P.M.,

at A "OENARA," The Residence of Staff Surgeon Canton, R.N., A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE (Full Particulars from Catalogue.)

On View from SATURDAY, the 14th February. TERMS—Cash on delivery. GEO. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1903. [167e]

PUBLIC ROUP.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC ROUP, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 18th inst., at 3 P.M., near the Fountain, opposite the City Hall. Several RACE HORSES and PONIES (including many favourites at the Race Meeting.)

Particulars as per Catalogues, which will be issued the morning of the Sale. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1903. [161e]

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

Under the direct ion of Mr. ROBERT BROUGH, Representative, Mr. ALAN HAMILTON.

TUESDAY, 17th FEBRUARY.

THE BROUGH COMEDY CO.

IN

"ARE YOU A MASON?"

There is an old maxim: "The most wasted of all days is that on which one has not laughed."

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th FEBRUARY.

First Production in China of

"ARE YOU A MASON?"

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A Farce in Three Acts, adapted from the German by Leo Dietrichstein.

INTERPRETED BY:

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MR. BROUGH, Mr. W. T. Lovell, Mr. Leslie Victor, Mr. Ernest Vere, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Percy Walsh.

SATURDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY, 21st, 23rd and 24th FEBRUARY.

First Production in China of

"THE SECOND IN COMMAND."

(By arrangement with the author.)

A Military Comedy in Four Acts, by Captain Robert Marshall.

MUSICAL DIRECTOR—MR. GEORGE BROOKLYN

SCENIC ARTIST—MR. CLAUDE WHITE

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Dress Circle and Orchestra Stalls, \$4.00.

Stalls, \$1.00. Back Seats, \$1.00.

Doors Open 8.30. Curtain 9. Chairs, etc., at 11.30. Late Train to the Peak as usual.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1903. [151e]

Hotels.

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Rooms specially reserved for Captains of the Mercantile Marine.

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For Terms, &c., apply to the

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1902. [1116d]

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NO. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

THIS HOTEL, having changed hands, has been re-fitted after the style of a First-Class Foreign Hotel, with rooms en suite and single furnished with every regard to perfect comfort and convenience. The Hotel is in very close proximity to the principal Banks and Merchants' Offices.

MODERATE TARIFF.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [1386d]

Masonic.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF

HONGKONG, No. 1, 165.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREE-MASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on MONDAY, the 16th instant, at 5.15 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1903. [169e]

MEE CHEUNG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,

TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN

ICE-HOUSE ROAD.

I am now in a position, in his New and Commodious Premises, to eclipse, as heretofore, all PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICE in the Colony or in any part of the Far East. GROUPS AND VIEWS a specialty.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1898. [154]

Announcements.

DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.

SCHOOL DUTIES will be RESUMED on TUESDAY, the 17th instant.

For Terms for Boarders or Day Scholars, apply to

THE HEAD MASTER.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1903. [172e]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, TO-MORROW, the 14th day of February, at 8 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1902.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [194e]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 31st day of January current to the 14th day of February next, (both Days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [195e]

THE UNION MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 13, Beaconsfield Arcade, on TUESDAY, the 17th February, 1903, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902, and for the Election of Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. KERFOIT J. HUGHES, Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1903. [150e]

NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 18th February, 1903, at 3.15 o'clock P.M., in the CHAMBER ROOM, CITY HALL, for the purpose of discussing the Question of LOCAL CURRENCY.

By Order,

A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1903. [163e]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Association will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on FRIDAY, the 20th February, at 5 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of passing the Accounts for 1902, electing a Committee and Officers for 1903, and to consider a proposal to amalgamate with the Army Rifle Association.

Members are earnestly requested to attend.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1903. [135]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 23rd February, 1903, at 12 o'clock NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GEO. A. CALDWELL, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1903. [133e]

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES in Bank Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 24th February, 1903, at 11 o'clock A.M., when the SUBJUNCTION RESOLUTION which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th February, 1903, will be submitted for confirmation as a SPECIAL RESOLUTION.

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:—

(a) In Article (79) the word "nine" shall be substituted for the word "seven."

(b) In Article (88) the words "nine thousand" shall be substituted for the words "seven thousand."

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1903. [154e]

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 10 per cent, or \$1.50 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders, held This Day, will be PAYABLE at The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after MONDAY, the 9th February, 1903.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1903. [152e]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of March, 1903, at 12 o'clock (Noon) to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1902, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1903. [150e]

Announcements.

THE CONNAUGHT HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

[1339e]

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Hongkong, 8th July, 1902.

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Proprietors.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1902.

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BIRTH.

On 1st February, at 71 Q River Valley Road, Singapore, the wife of ERNEST ADAMS, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

On the 31st Jan. at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, by the Rev. Archdeacon Dunkerley, JAMES CHALMERS, C.E., assistant civil engineer, Tanjong Pagar Dock Co., Ltd., eldest son of James Chalmers, Esq., 12 Caulfield Terrace, Aberdeen, to MARY DEARLING, third daughter of James Dearling, Esq., Kent.

DEATHS.

On the 6th February, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, WILLIAM MAITLAND, of the Shanghai Paper Mill.
On the 7th February, at No. 2, Thorburn Road, Shanghai, of pneumonia, JOSEPH ANTONIO GRANDON, aged 56 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Card mounts and card board in the very latest designs at Le Munyon's.—*Adv.*

H.M.S. *Humber* leaves Hongkong for Weihaiwei on the 10th inst.

SHIPBOARD coolies at Penang are demanding \$1.50 per diem, on account of the low exchange, as against 60 cents paid heretofore.

MESRS. Butterfield & Swire took over the Chefoo agency of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank from the beginning of February.

THE total amount of tin ore exported by the tributaries on the lands of the Royal Johore Tin Mining Co., Ltd., during the month of January was 741 bags equal to 511 piculs.

THE directors of the Shanghai Gas Co., Ltd., will recommend at the annual meeting on 24th inst., in addition to the usual dividend of six per cent, the payment of a bonus of 15s. 7d. per share, making in all sixteen per cent. on the capital for the year 1902.

SHIPMASTERS at Penang are agitating for their wages to be brought up to the Singapore standard on the sterling basis. Ship engineers at Penang now draw higher pay, but the masters do not, owing to the shipping companies hesitating to give an increase.

There is nothing photographic that you cannot get at Le Munyon's. See his new mailing envelope.—*Adv.*

POLLARD'S L. Hipatians produce a *Gaiety Girl* this evening, and at a matinee and evening performance to-morrow stage H.M.S. *Pinafore*. The merry band of artists leave for Manila on Monday and return to Hongkong in about six weeks when they intend remaining a fortnight to stage three new operas.

It will be seen from our advertisement columns that annual missionary services will be held at Union Church on Sunday, Dr. G. F. Pentecost preaching in the morning, and the Rev. C. H. Hickling in the evening. Collections will be made at both services on behalf of the London Missionary Society.

It is stated in Shanghai mandarin circles that Viceroy Yuan Shih-k'ai, Director-General of the China Merchants' Co., has appointed Mr. Chu Yuchi (official designation Hsi Yun), a former chief manager and a well-known resident of this Settlement, to be once more manager of that company in Shanghai.

THE *Nerite*, the oil tank steamer which was burnt out in the Suez Canal last April, while endeavouring to render assistance to the *Ulysses*, a similar tank vessel, has been successfully floated and arrived at Port Said on the 6th January. She was then nothing but an iron framework with her funnel lying across the after-deck.

TWO new stamps—with face values of 8 and 12 cents, respectively—were issued at the local post office yesterday. In design, both are exact facsimiles of the new one-cent stamp. The eight-cent in colour is lilac on a white field with a lead colour head design in the centre. The twelve-cent is chocolate on a yellow field with a green centre.

A CIRCULAR from certain reformers, supposed to belong to Kang Yu-wei's party, has been sent to all the Boards and leading officials, but the *Yih* *Shih* does not know its nature. It has been suggested by some of the officials that in consequence of this an order be issued to arrest all who escaped at the time of the coup d'état. The Court declare their inability to do this at present.—*P. & T. Times*.

MR. Lynch, during the trial, argued in his defence that a British subject can be naturalized in a foreign country during a state of war. Therewith the Chief Justice ruled that a declaration of war prevented British subjects making arrangements with the King's enemies. Taking the oath of naturalization was itself an act of treason. The bulk of the sitting was occupied with similar legal points.

COTTAM & CO., FOR PANAMA HATS.

We understand that the Connaught House Hotel will supply refreshments in the United Stand at the races to-morrow.

I have just received from the factory the very latest hand cameras. It is the Century To see one is to possess one. At Le Munyon's.—*Adv.*

MR. J. Rutherford, M.P., left London on 15th ult. for a voyage round the world by way of Ceylon, China, Japan, British Columbia, Canada, and the United States.

THE United States Rear-Admiral Cooper, is expected here to-morrow by the *Korea*. He relieves Captain C. S. Sperry, of the U.S. ship *Rainbow*, in command of the Southern Squadron.

THE London *Cassette* notices the appointment of Captain Sir J. Keane, Bart., R.A., to be aide-de-camp to Sir H. A. Blake, G.C.M.G., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Hongkong and its Dependencies.

It is announced in the London *Gazette* that the King has been pleased to approve of the appointment of Mr. Charles Stewart Sharp to be an unofficial member of the Executive Council of the colony of Hongkong.

"THE Orient, the Anglo-Saxon, and Christian" is the title of a lecture, to be given under the auspices of the Odd Volumes Society, by the Rev. Dr. Pentecost at the City Hall on Monday, at 9.15 p.m. The meeting will be open to the public.

As already intimated, the French squadron, in the *Far Fast* is to be augmented by the armoured cruiser *Moncalm*, which left Toulon on Jan. 20, and by the protected cruiser *Jurien de la Gravière*, which will follow as soon as she has completed her trials.

Ten thousand dollars' worth of photo-supplies just received on last *Empress* and *Nippon Maru* of every description. At Le Munyon's.—*Adv.*

W. B. Atherbury, recently arrested on board the *Indo China* str. *Yuen Sang*, on her arrival from Manila, was this morning charged on remand with obtaining money by false pretences within the jurisdiction of the United States of America. He was discharged, evidence being wanting.

BEFORE Lieutenant Pezane, who has been engaged at Southampton on the transport service, left for Hongkong, where he is to be chief in charge of supplies and barracks, he was presented with a purse of gold by the friends he has made here during his service on Colonel Stappole's staff. He arrived to-day.

THE first class cruiser *Spurtiloe* is shortly to be commissioned, says the *Naval and Military Record* to take out a new crew for the *Ocean*, on the China Station, and on this voyage the *Spurtiloe* will be thoroughly tried at sea, and if she comes up to expectations it is proposed to commission her as flagship for the Australian station.

THE Shanghai mandarins have received news from Peking to the following effect:—The Grand Council has received a telegram from Nanning, Kwangsi province, stating that, despairing of suppressing the rebellion in that province and fearful of receiving the severe censure of the Throne for his unsuccess, Marshal Su, Provincial Commander-in-Chief of Kwangsi, is reported to have committed suicide in his camp. It appeared also that a large body of his own personal troops have also gone over to the rebels; hence his despair.

BY kind permission of Major Radcliff and officers of the Band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow (Saturday) evening from 8 to 9.30 p.m.—

PROGRAMME.
March "Second to None" Home
Overture "Nell Gwyn" Germany
Selection "The Runaway Girl" Canada
Paraphrase "Loreley" Switzerland
Selection "Merry England" Germany
Waltz "Zemora" Germany
Glee "The Ballad of the Weaver" Hainan
"God Save the King."

On the 10th inst. Mr. E. Smallwood, a passenger by one of the *Syar* ferry-boats, fell overboard and was rescued by a comrade who jumped in after him. When hauled on board of the steamer he was in a state of semi-consciousness, and was immediately conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital, where he expired this morning. The funeral took place this afternoon. Until quite recently, the deceased was second officer of the China Manila str. *Rubi*, but at the time of accident, had been ashore about a fortnight. He was a member of Zealand Lodge and had several friends in the Colony.

THE long-service medal is recently bestowed upon a Volunteer officer in the Straits Settlements who had previously been to England with the Coronation contingent, where he obtained two Coronation medals. The fortunate warrior happens to be an official in the service of the Straits Government, and when his next month's salary was paid, he found that the cheque was \$2.71 short of the usual amount. Inquiry showed that this was the charge made by the Government for the medal. This exhibition of official meanness, says "Labby," will probably compare with anything on record, and one would like to know precisely what authority is entitled to the full credit of it. Presumably, the Straits Government will not make the charge unless it has to pay the Home Government for the medal. Or are we to take it that the charge is made for the carriage of the decoration from England to Singapore?—*Truth*.

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WINNING HORSES AND STABLES.

1903 RACES.

HORSES.	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
1. Ichiban,	4	0	0
2. Muscatel,	3	0	1
3. Cheesal,	2	1	1
4. Rare Rose,	2	1	1
5. Jigoku,	2	1	0
6. Pandur,	2	0	1
7. Brilliant,	2	0	0
8. Legacy,	1	2	1
9. Rebel King,	1	2	1
10. Flickamaroo,	1	2	0
11. Algerine,	1	2	0
12. Desert King,	1	2	0
13. Remnant,	1	2	0
14. Winter Rose,	1	1	1
15. School Girl,	1	1	0
16. Finella,	1	0	1
17. Runaway Girl,	1	0	1
18. Sequah,	1	0	1
19. Dewdrop II.,	1	0	0
20. Ben-y-Gloe,	1	0	0
21. Commoner,	0	2	1
22. Lurch,	0	2	1
23. Silver Fox,	0	2	1
24. Clare,	0	2	0
25. The Pirate,	0	1	3
26. Ray Ronald,	0	1	0
27. Lady Lena,	0	1	0
28. Ivy,	0	1	0
29. Starling,	0	1	0
30. Manhattan,	0	0	2
31. Disput,	0	0	2
32. Countess,	0	0	1
33. Diamond,	0	0	1
34. Style,	0	0	1
35. Joker,	0	0	1
36. Winning Rose,	0	0	1
37. Fancy,	0	0	1

STABLES.	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
1. Mr. G. H. Potts,	6	5	2
2. Mr. Godfrey Master's,	6	5	1
3. Mr. Buxey's,	3	2	3
4. Mr. J. H. Lewis,	3	1	1
5. Mr. Tremearne's,	2	2	0
6. Mr. Hunter's,	2	1	1
7. Col. G. A. Hughes',	2	0	0
8. Mr. Morgan Phillips',	1	2	1
9. Mr. Wingo's,	1	2	0
10. Mr. Smith's,	1	0	1
11. Mr. Caruthers',	1	0	1
12. Mr. E. Hinds',	1	0	1
13. Mr. C. H. Ross',	1	0	0
14. Mr. D. W. J. J.',	0	5	6
15. Major-General W. J. J.',	0	3	0
16. Capt. P. Langlands',	0	1	1
17. Mr. Magpie's,	0	1	0
18. Mr. Pontifex's,	0	0	2
19. Mr. F. B. Marshall's,	0	0	2
20. Messrs. A. P. Simpson & White's,	0	0	1
21. Mr. Wheelwright's,	0	0	1
22. Messrs. Deacon & Morris',	0	0	1
23. Mr. Morris',	0	0	1
24. Mr. Ridamackers',	0	0	1
25. Major Denny's,	0	0	0

TO-MORROW'S RACES.

OFF DAY.

To-morrow's fixtures are timed to commence at two o'clock and provided there is a continuance of the present fine weather the "off day" of the meeting should be as enjoyable as that of its predecessors. Judging from the programme of even's printed below we are in for some good sport especially, if the run-out, circulated this morning, turns out to be correct. We learned that Mr. H. N. Mody, otherwise Mr. Buxey, intends riding *Rare Rose* in a race with Mr. Greigh, the owner of *Algerine*, for a match over a half-mile course. May our new 'jock' get on his mount and win.

The following are the events:—
THE GOSNOL LITAN STAKES.—A sweepstakes of \$10 each with \$100 added. Second to receive \$150; and third \$50. For all waters entered at and which have run at this meeting. Weight for age except the Encouragement. Racing or Phœnix stakes to the extra. Winners of Encouragement, Racing or Phœnix Stakes 5 lbs. extra. Penalties accumulative. Hongkong water griffins allowed 8 lbs. Hongkong waters which have never won a race at time of starting allowed 5 lbs. Unplaced runners at the meeting allowed 5 lbs. Winners of the Hongkong Derby and/or Water Champion stakes barred. From the two-mile post once round and in.

Mr. A. S. Anon's *Baby*, 14.2
Mr. Buxey's *Winning Rose*, 14.2
Do *Hardy Rose*, 14.2
Mr. Caruthers' *Runaway Girl*, 14.2
Mr. Christie's *Tyro*, 14.2
Mr. Darius's *Glory*, 14.3
Major Denny's *Diamond*, 14.2
Major-General W. J. J.'s *Encouragement*, 14.1
Mr. Hart Buck's *The Pirate*, 14.0
Mr. E. H. Hinds' *Sequah*, 14.1
Lieut. Col. G. A. Hughes' *Brilliant*, 14.2
Do *Prince Charming*, 14.0
Do *Princess Charming*, 14.2
Mr. Hunter's *See Sae*, 14.0
Mr. Ellis Kadorie's *Myrtle*, 14.3
Mr. Kingston's *Allgold*, 14.3
Do *Extravagance*, 14.3
Do *Thief*, 14.3
Capt. P. Langlands' *Traveller*, 14.0
Do *Wearly Willie*, 14.2
Mr. Magpie's *Bay Ronald*, 14.0
Mr. Godfrey Master's *Ichiban*, 14.2
Do *Mayfly*, 14.0
Do *Punch*, 13.3
Do *Remnant*, 14.2
Mr. F. H. May's *Mirabelle*, 14.1
Mr. Morgan Phillips' *Legacy*, 14.3
Do *Esau*, 14.1
Mr. Pontifex's *Myrtle*, 14.1
Do *Countess*, 14.3
Mr. A. H. Rennie's *Black Tulip* (late *Narcissus*), 14.1
Mr. Robert Shewan's *Cynosure*, 14.1
Mr. Smith's *Finella*, 14.1

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THE KING CUP. Presented. For all beaten China ponies; weight for inches as per scale. Old ponies to carry 7 lbs. extra. Subscription griffin waters allowed 3 lbs. Unplaced ponies allowed 5 lbs. Three quarters of a mile. Entrance, \$10, to go to second pony.

THE CHEE SAI CUP. Value \$250. Presented. For all beaten water griffins. Weight for inches as per scale. Placed ponies to carry 5 lbs. Unplaced ponies allowed 5 lbs. Entrance, \$10, to go to second pony. Five furlongs.

THE LUCKY CUP. Steeplechase. For all waters. Weight 11 stone. Winners of previous jump races, to lbs. extra. Horses over 14.3 to carry two lbs. per inch extra. From Grand Stand twice round and in. Cup to go to rider. Entrance, \$10, to go to second pony.

THE BRILLIANT CUP.—For all beaten water griffins at this meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. The pony that has run second in any race to carry 5 lbs. extra; third in any race 3 lbs. extra. Unplaced ponies allowed 5 lbs. Entrance, \$10, to go to second pony. One round.

THE VISITORS CUP.—Presented. Value \$300. For all China ponies that have run at the meeting, and not won a race. Weight for inches as per scale. Old ponies to carry 7 lbs. extra. Subscription griffin waters allowed 3 lbs. Unplaced ponies allowed 5 lbs. Entrance, \$10, to go to second pony. One mile.

THE MORRISON HILL CUP.—Presented, and a pair of gold sleeve links to go to rider of winner. For all beaten waters. Entrance, \$10, to go to second pony. One mile and a quarter.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held on Monday, the 16th February, at 3 p.m.

BUSINESS.

1. Financial Minute (No. 1).
2. Motion.
That the Public Health and Buildings Bill be re-committed for the purpose of moving an amendment to sections 139 and 140 as follows:—

That the two sections be thrown into one and that section 139 be numbered 139 sub-section (1) and section 140 sub-section (2), and that a new paragraph be added at the end of the section containing these words—"Provided that the Building Authority shall have power to modify the requirements of the two preceding sub-sections in any case in which from the shortness of the depth of the buildings such requirements would in his opinion be impracticable or unnecessary."

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to further amend The Merchant Shipping Consolidation Ordinance, 1899, and to amend The Merchant Shipping Amendment Ordinance, 1901.
2. First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Laws relating to the Punishment of Flogging.
3. First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the Surrender of Fugitive Criminals from the Territory of each of the Malay States—Perak, Selangor, Pahang and Negri Sembilan.
4. Third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Public Health and to Buildings.
R. F. JOHNSTON,
Acting Clerk of Councils.

CANTON COLLISION CASE.

JUDGMENT.

Judgment in the Admiralty case between the owner of the junk *Ho Li* and the s.s. *Hoi Ho* was delivered by the Chief Justice, at the Supreme Court this afternoon. He found both parties were to blame and decreed that the plaintiff was to receive half damages, while each side was to pay its own costs.

WRECK ON CAPE VARELLA.

WITH TREASURE ABOARD.

The French-owned steamer, *Phaethon*, belonging to a Saigon firm, which left hence recently bound for Saigon is ashore at the north end of Cape Varella, a dangerous coast exposed to the north-east winds and sea. She has \$200,000 worth of treasure aboard, Messrs. Brailley & Co. are the local agents.

TRADE FACILITIES TO SOUTH WEST CHINA.

Amongst the resolutions which have been forwarded by the Council of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce to the Association of Chambers of Commerce of the United Kingdom for insertion in the Spring Meeting of that Association on March 3, 4, and 5, 1903, are the following:—That this Chamber, seeing that the construction of the Ma-da-yin-Kunlun Railway was an approach to Yunnan has been stopped, pending further surveys, is of opinion: 1. That, with a view to promoting facilities for the conveyance of merchandise between Burma and South-Western China, survey be undertaken at once for a light railway from Yunnan to Momein, on the frontiers of China, via the Taping Valley, as it is believed that the reports of His Majesty's Consul at Momein on the goods traffic between these places are sufficient to justify proceeding with such work, and 2. That, in order to give facilities of another kind for the same trade, and for other British trade with Southern China, post offices should be opened there, as in Kwang Si by the French under British management, in order, amongst other purposes, to facilitate and make secure the transmission of cash for the settlement of trade accounts in substitution for the present method of conveying cash by mule caravans.

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BANK "SMASHERS" AT WORK.

TELEGRAMS.

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Venezuelan Settlement Approaching.

BERLIN, 12th February, 1.20 p.m.

The rejection of first class German claims taking priority over all others, having been withdrawn by the United States Minister, Mr. Bowen, a settlement of the whole question is near at hand.

The Macedonian Unrest.

Urged on by the inciting articles of the English-French press, committees in Macedonia are carrying on war preparations quite openly. The Austro-Russian reform-note which is strongly supported by Germany will go forward to the Porte at an early date.

China War Indemnity.

The Powers at Peking urge the part payment of their respective shares of the war indemnity.

(Reuters.)

The United States and the Philippines.

LONDON, February 11th.

In Washington administrative circles, financial and other remedial legislation for the Philippines is considered necessary and very urgent, otherwise another rebellion is feared.

The Mission to the Shah.

The British Mission to the Shah has left Teheran with the most cordial farewells from the Shah who presented valuable gifts and handed General Downe a letter for the King.

LATER.

The Crown Princess of Saxony.

The Special Court of Dresden has divorced the Crown Princess of Saxony on the ground of adultery.

The Straits Currency Commission.

The Straits Currency Commission has practically completed its labours, and the report is now to be sent to the Straits Settlements for consideration.

(N. C. D. News.)

The New British Ambassador to Russia.

LONDON, 7th February.

Mr. Cecil Arthur Spring-Rice, British Commissioner of the Egyptian Public Debt, Cairo, has been appointed to the Embassy at St. Petersburg.

[Before filling his recent post at Cairo, Mr. Spring-Rice was Secretary of Legation at Brussels, Washington, Tokio, Berlin, and Constantinople.—Ed.]

The French Navy and its Wants.

In speaking on the Navy Estimates in the French Chamber, M. Telleian, Minister of Marine, said that France has admirable bases in the Mediterranean and the Atlantic, but nothing has been done to fortify them. If France were surprised by a declaration of war to-morrow, she would find herself without a naval base. France had never been very enthusiastic over colonial expansion, but today her honour is at stake, and she must defend her colonies.

Japan and Korea.

TOKIO, 7th February.

Two months ago the Korean Government attempted to interdict the currency in Korea of notes issued at Seoul by the First Bank, which is a thoroughly stable Japanese institution under the presidency of Baron Shibusawa. Against this Japan strongly protested inasmuch as such action is plainly contrary to the treaty of 1876, which guarantees full facilities to Japanese trade in Korea, whereupon the Korean Government officially promised to cancel the interdict, but has now without any notice whatsoever renewed its veto, presumably at the instance of Li Yung-ik who proposes to start a Korean bank with a note issue to be organised by a Belgian adviser whose engagement is projected. Thereupon Japan has renewed her protest.

The Japanese Press is indignant at Korea's arbitrary neglect of the treaty and arrogant caprice; moreover, Russian influence is suspected, because Li Yung-ik took shelter in the Russian Legation during the recent political crisis, and escaped to Port Arthur in a Russian man-of-war. That it is a Russian intrigue, however, is scarcely credible, inasmuch as the Russo-Chinese Bank also probably desire a note issue to increase its power in Korea.

The Japanese Government is resolute but pacific.

A Fire at Peking.

PEKING, 8th February.

At midnight last (Saturday) a fire broke out in the officers' quarters of the Japanese barracks, but thanks to the gallant assistance and co-operation of the foreign garrisons in extinguishing it, the flames were subdued at 5 a.m. to-day.

ASK for ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Gault.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

THE POST OFFICE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH." Sir,—It appears that general dissatisfaction prevails among the staff at the Post Office, owing to the withdrawal of the usual allowance granted to the men on the arrival of every contract mail. Most of the old hands intend leaving the service as soon as they see better chance elsewhere, and, I believe, one of the old hands in the Registration Department has already resigned.

It is very detrimental to the public to have always inexperienced hands in the Post Office. In the old days this department was admirably worked by an efficient staff, most of them, Portuguese clerks who are now enjoying their well-earned pension, and, I may add, the Post Office never has been better administered than at the time when the late Mr. Lister was Postmaster-General, and those officers, who are now pensioned off, were those under him. The Government ought to give better consideration to the Post Office staff, who have harder work than any other Government department.

—Yours, etc.,

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BRITISH INTERCOURSE WITH HUNAN.

In June last year the Indo-China Company of London tried what has turned out to be a very successful experiment in running one of their river steamers from Hankow up the Siang river to the cities of Chang-sha, Siang-tan. The *Chang-sha*, the vessel selected for this special service, is a Shanghai-built knot steam wheel steamer of 700 tons register, 200 ft. long, 40 ft. beam, and with a loaded draught of 5 ft. She was found to be a little too big to be easily worked round many of the bends in the Siang river. Live all the other streams in this part of the Yangtze Valley it has a considerable difference in its summer and winter levels. All through the summer there has been sufficient water to float the *Chang-sha* to Chang-sha and even beyond Siang-tan, but in October, with the water at the 20 ft. mark, this steamer was obliged to stop running after her twelfth voyage, and later than this it is impracticable for a steam launch to approach Chang-sha. For some years a number of Chinese-owned passenger steam launches have been running between Hankow and Chang-sha; they trade the whole year round, but in the winter time they simply get as near to Chang-sha as possible. There has always been an enormous trade carried on throughout this well-watered province in junks of a special type, as many as 1,000 sailing either in or out of the lake at Y-chow in one day. Some hundred miles of excellent canals have been constructed which, in connection with the river systems, give water carriage to any part of the province.

Chang-sha is not yet a treaty port, although it is one of those proposed to be opened by the new treaty. By the treaties foreign steamers are actually liable to confiscation if they go to non-treaty ports. But, by an amicable arrangement between the Chinese authorities and the Indo-China Company, the *Chang-sha* was permitted to trade in Hunan by a liberal interpretation of the Inland Waters Navigation Agreement. The routine followed was for the steamer to clear from the Imperial Maritime Customs at Hankow. She then proceeded to the treaty port of Chien-nchi, and after examination by the same Customs she was furnished with documents for the Chinese authorities at Y-chow, the entrance to the lake, only stopping at this *lekin* station, which franks for the whole province, to settle her *lekin* obligation. The steamer then proceeded to her destinations at Chang-sha and Siang-tan. On the return voyage she stopped at Y-chow, this time to be searched and examined, for the steamer had no documents to show. After the settlement of all *lekin* dues for the return voyage the *Chang-sha* went on to Chien-nchi, entered and cleared at the foreign Customs in the usual way, and then returned to Hankow.

All these arrangements have worked fairly well, the steamer getting as much cargo and passengers as she could take. The amiability shown by the Chinese authorities may be partly accounted for by the fact of most of the return cargo being antimony from some mines near Siang-tan belonging to high officials. The *Chang-sha* has steamed up and down the 275 miles between Hankow and Siang-tan, generally taking two or three days each way, without the least opposition. The Chinese came from far and wide in their thousands to see what was to them a very strange vessel. At times their curiosity was a little inconvenient, but otherwise they were good-natured and pleasant. It has really been surprising, when former experiences are taken into account, that this English steamer has been quietly navigated by foreigners into the very centre of Hunan, where only a few years ago it was death for a foreigner to be found, and which is the very province that has always been most conservative and bitterly hostile to foreign influence of any kind. The Hunanese are generally of a good physique and certainly more bold and truthful than other Chinese; they are very proud of their country, and used to boast of it as the virgin province, as it was the last one that foreigners succeeded in entering. "Quoted in the very heart of the empire, it is very rich and beautiful. The language is pure, and it is the home of some of the oldest and best families in the empire; at one time or another it has produced more statesmen than the whole of the rest of the empire. Over 40 years ago it was the Hunanese that first had the courage to make a stand against the Taiping rebels. It was from here that the two brothers Tseng Kuo-fan and Tseng Kuo-chuan, direct descendants of one of the disciples of Confucius, came, together

with Hu Lin-yi, Tso Tung-tang, and other famous Hunan generals who, raising vast armies in that province, descended the Yangtze, and after years of desperate fighting succeeded at last in restoring order to the empire. These leaders brought the Hunanese soldiers home and got them quietly to disband under the promise that they would soon be enrolled again to purge the land of every foreigner who had brought so much misery to it. It is gratifying to all foreigners to think that the Hunanese are now changed, and inclined to submit to the peaceful influence of trade; but it is an especial satisfaction to Englishmen that a British steamer has been the first to trade to the capital of Hunan, just as they have been the pioneer in every other part of China.

Our small river gunboats the *Woodlark*, *Woodcock*, *Snipe*, and *Tail* have at one time or another pretty well surveyed the Tungling lake and the Siang river, and last year the Admiralty published a chart of the latter which is very acceptable just at this time. A Japanese company, the Hunan Steamship Company, has been formed in Osaka with a capital of 500,000 yen; they are now constructing two river steamers of a special design which will be ready to trade on the Siang river next summer. A Japanese consul and staff have gone up to Chang-sha to open a consulate; so far they are the only nationality to do so. For some time the Germans have been fussing about Chang-sha and Yochow in a small gunboat, the *Vorwärts*, an old English river steamer, formerly on the West river, running between Canton and Wochow; but she is of no use for exploring as she draws too much water. A German steamer on the Hankow-Chang-sha line is so far a failure, as it is three months since she got any cargo.—Times.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Fleet Street, 9th January.

MARRIAGE OF THE MINISTER FOR WAR.

The wedding of Mr. Brodrick, the Minister of War, has been the great social event of the week. The bride was Miss Madeleine Stanley, step-daughter of Sir Francis and daughter of Lady Jeune; the Premier was best man; the church was crowded with the flower of fashionable society; and among the givers of presents were several royal personages, headed by the King. It was not surprising then to find suburban ladies trooping in the early morning—as soon as their husbands had gone to business—from Hampstead and Wimbledon and standing in the street for hours to taste the delicious joys of watching the marriage party come and go. St. George's, Hanover Square, is rather a dingy church in spite of its location, but the plentiful use of flowers made it passably bright, and the brilliant uniforms gave the requisite touch of colour. Among the notables were the Duke of Cambridge, Princess Christian, Lord Roberts, Lord Lansdowne, and Sir Evelyn Wood. The King's presence was a silver gilt inkstand with the royal arms embossed on it.

It is current rumour that the Government have already asked whether Lord Curzon cares to act as Viceroy of India for a second term, and he has taken time to consider the proposal. It is expected that he will decide to come home in which event, I understand, a North-County nobleman now a guest at Delhi will be offered the post.

The Government got a handsome drubbing at the bye-election at Newmarket, the Conservative majority of 1,077 being changed into a Liberal majority of 507. A friend of mine who was down in the division, and who is tolerably impartial, assures me that the feeling in the country against the Corn Tax and the Education Act will result in a landslide for the Liberals at the General Election, unless something spectacular is done in the meantime, presumably by the Colonial Secretary, who is the only skilled pyrotechnist of the present day.

The successful candidate, Mr. C. D. Rose, is a genuine representative of the Colonial sporting world. He comes from Canada, where he helped Lord Mount Stephen and Lord Strathcona to build the Canadian Pacific Railway. He also helped to repel the Fenian invasion thirty years ago. He was a first-class athlete in his youth, and carried off the record for the fastest half mile on snow shoes. In 1891 he challenged for the America Cup, but when Lord Dunraven made his famous attack on American yachting methods he withdrew his challenge. He has been a member of the Jockey Club since 1891. For twenty years he was a partner in the American banking firm of Merton, Rose, & Co., but retired in 1897. At the General Election his fight for the seat had to be conducted for him as he was visiting the graves of two sons lost in the war. The unusual tactics used against him on that occasion gave him a sort of boomerang advantage this time.

According to advices from Brussels a very important contract has been signed during the past week, by which a Russian syndicate, backed by the Russian Government, has agreed to take over CERTAIN BELGIAN CONCESSIONS IN CHINA by June 30th of this year.

The amount payable under the contract is believed to be about £1,000,000, which will give the Belgians a good profit and secure for Russia a footing in the Chinese central provinces.

Designs are said to be under the consideration of the Admiralty for the construction of a new sort of vessel, intended to nullify the effect of submarine attacks. The greatest secrecy is being maintained as to the details, but a naval expert tells me he believes it will prove one of the most startling inventions of modern times, and will be effective for offensive as well as defensive purposes.

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The Morocco trouble seems to have simmered down with the release of the Sultan's brother, who rejoices in the name of Muley, from prison. I am told, however, that Kaid Sir Harry Maclean, the Scotch colonel of the Sultan's bodyguard, will be relieved of his post as a sop to the Moslems who regard him as the centre of the Europeanising influences which of late have been introducing the inventions of the unclean, such as bicycles, into the country.

A spasm of temperance reform seems to have gripped the country. There is the new act for the registration of habitual drunkards, which is worrying the publicans. Then there is a movement to abolish the barmains of Manchester even as Glasgow did last year. Further, in Blackburn fifty licences are to be surrendered. As 416 will remain this does not indicate a complete drought in the northern city.

The indemnity question, as affected by the depreciation in silver, is the subject of much comment in the press here. Except in the City the "man in the street" does not interest himself much in it; but the general opinion in print and conversation seems to be that

THE LOT OF CHINA IS HARD, and as much consideration as is compatible with the circumstances should be shown her in settling up.

Mr. Ballour is now quite recovered from his attack of influenza. In addition to acting as best man at Mr. Brodrick's wedding, he has joined a party which the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire is entertaining at Chatsworth. Among his fellow-guests are Princess Victoria of Connaught, the Duke and Duchess of Teck, Princess Henry of Pless, and the Earl and Countess of Gosford. Golf, shooting, and amateur theatricals are the principal lines of the bill of entertainment.

The sensation of the City is the disappearance of Mr. A. S. Row, secretary of the company controlling the Australian mine known as Great Fingall; leaving a confession of misappropriation and forgery of share certificates.

The directors state that the misappropriation amounts to £25,000 in cheques and securities belonging to the company, and in respect of forged certificates and transfers of the company's shares he appears to have borrowed of third party the sum of £75,000. The absconding secretary was some time ago taken into partnership in the firm of Messrs. Bewick, Moring and Co., and he seems to have broken the articles of partnership by trading on an open account unknown to his partners. Mr. C. A. Moring, the senior partner, is in China at the time of writing and communication with him was difficult, but the firm succeeded in informing him of the ill-news, and since that they have announced that Mr. Moring, though not admitting any legal obligation, has authorised them to recoup to the Great Fingall company any losses it may sustain in consequence of the fraud. I understand that Mr. Moring has abandoned his trip to Australia and is coming home at once from China. His action is warmly praised everywhere.

It is said that the King of Siam intends to visit England this year, and will devote some attention to the provinces. He is expected to arrive in the Thames aboard his yacht about the end of July, but the arrangements are not definitely fixed. It is also said that he may visit the King of Ceylon during the Ceylon Regatta week.

Commercial.

EXCHANGE.	
ON LONDON Telegraphic Transfer	62
Bank Bills on demand	1/6 13/16
Credit, 3 months sight	1/6 7 3/16
6 months sight	1/6 1 7 3/16
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	1/6 6 1/2
Credit, 3 months sight	1/6 6 1/2
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	38 1/2
Credit, 30 days sight	38 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	11 1/2
On demand	11 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	72 1/2
Private 30 days sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	72 1/2
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	\$12.76
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	66.30
Bar Silver	22 1/16

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.	
To-day's quotations are as follows:—	
MILWA NEW	5
" LAST YEAR	1,020/1,040
" OLDEST	1,050/1,100
PANNA NEW	104 1/2
BENARES NEW	104 1/2
" OLD	104 1/2
PERSIAN (PAPEK)	700/750

To-day's Advertisements.

WANTED.

APPRENTICE TO DRESSMAKING. Smart Intelligent English Girl to assist Dressmaker and learn cutting. Apply

"COSTUME."

C/o Hongkong Telegraph.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [178e]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"BENGAL"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex S.S. *Oceana*.
From Persian Gulf, ex B.I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 2 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 20th instant at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [18d]

To-day's Advertisements.

UNION CHURCH.

ANNUAL MISSIONARY SERVICES.

SUNDAY, 15th instant.

PREACHERS:

11 A.M. Rev. Dr. GEO. F. PENTECOST.

6 P.M. Rev. C. H. HICKLING.

Collections will be made at both Services on behalf of the LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [175e]

PUBLIC LECTURE.

THE Reverend Dr. PENTECOST, D.D., has kindly consented to deliver a LECTURE on "THE ORIENT, THE ANGLO-SAXON, and CHRISTIANITY" at the CITY HALL, on MONDAY, the 16th February, at 9.15 P.M.

The Honourable F. H. MAY, C.M.G., will take the Chair.

The Public are invited to this Lecture.

H. E. POLLOCK, Hon. Sec.

Hongkong Odd Volumes Society.

Hongkong, 13th February 1903. [176e]

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

Captain K. Schuer, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 14th instant, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [179e]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

Captain J. McGinty, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 14th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [156e]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above Port, on SUNDAY, the 15th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage apply to DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [180e]

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

"BAMBERG,"

Captain Kirchner, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [181e]

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL CITY HALL.

POLLARD'S LILLIPUTIAN OPERA CO.

TO-NIGHT,

LAST NIGHT OF

The Success of the Season,

"A GAITY GIRL."

TO-MORROW,

LAST TWO PERFORMANCES MATINEE

AND EVENING.

H.M.S. "PINAFORE"

Plans now open at Robinson's.

Late trains and ferries during season.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [148e]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Capt. G. C. ANDERSON to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

THURSDAY, the 19th February, 1903, at 2.30 P.M.

at "EILANDOUAN," Mount Kellie, The Peak, THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

ROSEWOOD WHATNOT, TEAKWOOD TABLES, OVERTURNABLES, DOUBLE IRON and BRASS BEDSTEAD, WASHSTANDS, LAMP, WRITING TABLES and BOOKCASE, RATTAN FURNITURE, GLASSWARE, COOKING STOVE, PLANTS and PALMS in POTS, &c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [177e]



SOMETHING ABOUT

"BARGAINS IN GLASSES."

There is no such thing as "bargains" in eye glasses. Glasses which are worth "\$1 for this week only" are not worth any more the next week or any other week, in fact they are never worth the money asked for, or better still are too dear at any price. Your eyes need a thorough examination by a reliable Eye Specialist before you get your glasses, and this examination is worth some money. To get the right glasses is worth everything—wearing wrong glasses means killing your eyesight. Your eyes are your life and no bargain-counter article.

One cha ge covers the entire cost of examination, glasses and frames.

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OF LONDON AND CALCUTTA.

Consulting Room:

No. 16, Queen's Road Central.

Entrance through Mr. R. Houghton's Tailoring Establishment, nearly opposite Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903. [182e]



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AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR CONTINENT.
OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE ON
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	13th February.
"	"NESTOR"	16th "
"	"ACHILLES"	19th "
"	"KINTUCK"	25th "
"	"GLAUCUS"	6th March.
"	"PING SUEY"	11th "

S.S. "MACHAON" left Singapore 7th instant, and is expected here 13th instant.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON
LONDON	"PROMETHEUS"	17th February.
"	"DIOMED"	3rd March.
"	"MACHAON"	17th March.
"	"GLAUCUS"	31st March.
"	"PING SUEY"	14th April.

LIVERPOOL BERTH.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON
LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	21st February.
"	"KINTUCK"	20th March.

CONTINENTAL BERTH.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON
MARSEILLES and ANTWERP	"PYRRHUS"	28th February.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS	"ACHILLES"	21st February.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"	"

For Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, 11th February, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
YOKOHAMA	"CHANGHONG"	13th February.
SHANGHAI	"WUJONG"	14th "
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	14th "
MANILA	"TSINAN"	16th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TSINAN"	16th "
SHANGHAI	"TAOJING"	17th "
TIENSIN	"NANCHANG"	20th "

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CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	20th February, at Noon.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Do.	27th "
DIAMANTE	1980	A. H. Noley	Do.	"
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty	Do.	"

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1903.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG VIA MOJI, KOBE
AND YOKOHAMA.

PORTLAND OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY

Steamship	Tons.	Captain.	To Sail
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	Feb. 28, 1903.
"INDRASAMHA"	4,899	R. P. Craven	Mar. 16, "
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	W. E. Craven	April 16, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	SUNDAY, 15th February.
FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	T. Saito	WEDNESDAY, 18th February.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	SUNDAY, 22nd February.
FOR FOCHOOW	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	"

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The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried. All steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mail, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered in the highest class at Lloyd's. Steamers will go alongside the Co.'s Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo. By the Co.'s steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at No. 2, Des Voeux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1903.

Shipping.

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SINGLE, \$20. RETURN, \$35.

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1903.

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THE Steamship

"ARAB,"

Captain Gow, will be despatched as above on

TUESDAY, the 17th instant, at Noon.

This Steamer as Superior Accommodation for

First Class Passengers and is fitted

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ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO.,

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Hongkong, 11th February, 1903.

AMERICAN ASIATIC S.S. CO.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GIBRALTAR"

Captain D. Morris, will be despatched for the

above Port on or about THURSDAY, the 19th

February.

For Freight apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1903.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEEN-
SLAND PORTS, and taking throughCargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,
TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EMPIRE,"

Captain McArthur, will be despatched for the

above Ports, on THURSDAY, the 5th March,

at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for

Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber,

which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions,
Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the

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A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon

are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of

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Hongkong, 5th February, 1903.

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Sailing Date.

ROHILLA MARU

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1,569

Saturday, 14th February, at Noon.

ROSETTA MARU

N. Tate

1,876

Friday, 20th February, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 11th February, 1903.

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STEAM FOR

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Having connection with Company's Mail

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LONA, VALENCIA, ALICANTE, AL-
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THE Steamship

"CAPRI,"

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TO-MORROW, the 14th instant, at Noon.

At Bombay, the Steamer is discharging in

VICTORIA DOCK.

For further Particulars regarding Freight

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CARLOWITZ & Co.,

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Hongkong, 13th February, 1903.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS,
FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP
VIA GENOA.

THE Steamship

"GLENVILE,"

Captain T. D. R. R.N.R., will be despatched as

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

McGREGOR BROS. & GOW,

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Hongkong, 4th February, 1903.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE
TO NEW YORK,
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

1903.

"SHIMOSA".....About 28th Feb.

"THORIS".....15th Mar.

For Freight and further information, apply

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DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1903.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

STEAM TO CANTON.

FRENCH MAIL

Twin Screw S.S. "SAN CIEUNG,"

951 Tons, Captain Murphy, leaves HONG-

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DAYS, TUESDAYS, and THURSDAYS

returning to Hongkong the following days,

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Cold Water-lead on by Pipes to each Cabin.

Ship lighted throughout by Electric ty.

Passage Fare \$100 Single Journey.

Meals \$10 each.

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1903.

WING ON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

THE Steamship

"CHU KONG,"

Capt. Misson.

Departure from HONGKONG to MACAO,

Daily, at 7.30 A.M. SUNDAY including

Departures from MACAO to HONGKONG

Daily, at 2 P.M. SUNDAY including

This Steamer is the fastest and has Superior

Cabin Accommodation.

FARES:

1st Class.....\$1.00

2nd ".....1.50

3rd ".....50

Further Particulars may be obtained at the

Office of the

WING ON STEAMSHIP CO.,

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Hongkong, 24th January, 1903.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGA-
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Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RAN-

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"AUSTRIA,"

Captain Colledani, will be despatched as above

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This Steamer has superior accommodation for

passengers, Electric light, and carries a doctor.

For Information as to Passage and Freight

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Hongkong, 4th February, 1903.

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SPECIAL OFFER. FOWNES' BLACK SUEDE GLOVES FOR EVENING WEAR, \$2.25 PER PAIR.
DENTS' WHITE PARIS CASTOR 4-BUTTON STITCHED WHITE OR BLACK \$1.25.
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